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Assistant Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

Response to an Office Action dated February 5, 1996, the period for response having been extended to August 5, 1996, by the accompanying petition and fee, applicants make the following remarks.

IN THE CLAIMS

Cancel claim 4 without disclaimer or prejudice.

Claim 1, line 5" insert after "purified" the word --, detoxified--

Claim 5, line 1: delete "LPS".

Claim 5, line 3: delete "LPS".

Claim 6, line 2: add delete "LPS" and insert therefor -- endotoxin --.

Claim 9, line 1: delete "LPS".

Claim 15, line 2: delete "LPS".

REMARKS

Claims 1-10 and 15-17 are active in the case, claims 11-14 having been withdrawn from further consideration. All claims stand rejected. Applicants respectfully request reconsideration in the light of the aforementioned claim cancellation and amendments, the following remarks and the appended documents.